

Lobbying

Technically, Council members are government employees and governed by DHHS standards of conduct during the days they are being paid for duty. Thus, during the full midnight-to-midnight period of each of these days, members cannot transact personal business, enter into personal activities with the Legislative or Executive branches of government, or discuss with NIH staff matters pertaining to their institution's Federally funded activities. During this same period, members of Council also must not discuss with members of Congress proposed or pending legislation or appropriations that concern the Public Health Service or DHHS.